

February 15, 2023

Dear Cypress Bay Families,

This is a very exciting time of the year as our students are in the transitional phase of preparing for the next school year while doing their due diligence by maintaining their work effort and performance to close out the current year. Equally so, our teachers are working hard and are committed to ensuring the momentum of our student's academic progress. Our testing season is around the corner, starting with SAT School Day on March 1st. The upcoming testing season also includes Advanced Placement, AICE, F.A.S.T., and EOC assessments. Further information is available on this website and the testing calendar can also be accessed via this link: Testing Calendar Link 2022-2023

As we near the end of the third quarter and with Spring Break approaching, we want to remind everyone that **Safety and Security remain our top priority**. Our efforts continue to emphasize the importance of all students and staff adhering to our safety and security protocols. Our comprehensive security team which consists of our Administration, Behavior Specialists, Campus Monitors, Security Specialists, Safe School Officers, and School Resource Deputies is committed to the safety of our entire campus. **Our students have done a wonderful job and are continually reminded of the following safety procedures:**

- IDs must be worn at all times on school grounds.
- Issuance of passes is only permitted after the first 15 minutes and prior to the last 15 minutes of class. (excluding emergencies)
- Students must have a pass issued by the teacher to leave class.

While we have incredible students at Cypress Bay who exhibit exemplary and respectful behavior, *any student that does not follow policies within the Student Code of Conduct is held accountable in accordance with the Broward County Schools Discipline Matrix.*

We are grateful for the continued support and collaboration of this amazing community, and we encourage our parents to continue to reach out with questions and concerns. As a reminder, there are several **Tip Reporting Tools** that can be found on our school website, also available via this link: <u>Tip Reporting Link</u>

Please know that we hold **School Advisory Council (SAC)** meetings monthly to discuss an array of schoolrelated topics around academics, activities, events, and school safety. The next SAC meeting will be held Tuesday, February 28th at 3:15 p.m. in the Wave. The **Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA)** will also be hosting its monthly General Meeting on Tuesday, February 21st at 9 a.m. in the Wave. We encourage our parents to join us for these informative and collaborative conversations.

Let's continue to work together, collaboratively, and positively to uphold our school's values while maintaining a conducive and safe learning environment for our students to thrive.

Sincerely, Principal Fried